



SAINT THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PARISH

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Saint Thomas More Welcomes All

Welcoming all, we, the Spirit-filled parish of St. Thomas More, value our Roman Catholic faith by celebrating the sacraments, breaking open the Scriptures, and joyfully offering ourselves in service to others. Under the inspiration of our patron saint, we seek to build a caring community that embraces the values he modeled of friendship, integrity and courageous love of God.

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Monday-Friday: 8:30am-5:00pm
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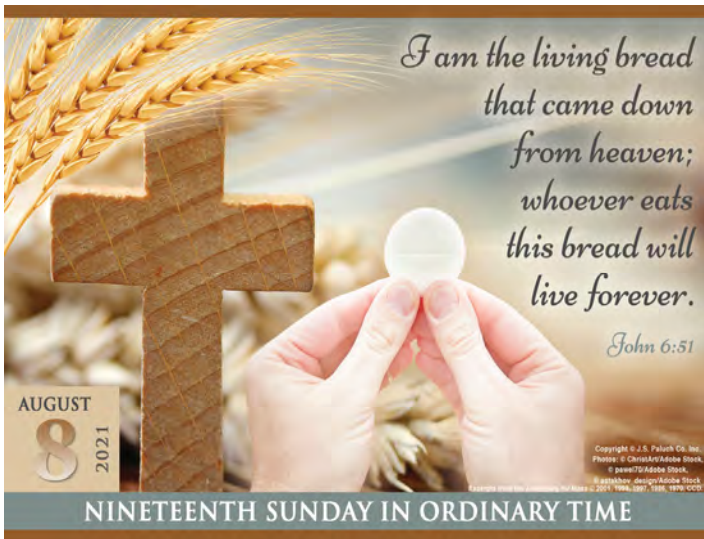
NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST
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2021



The bread that
I will give is my
flesh for the
life of the world.

John 6:51



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — After resting and taking nourishment twice, Elijah is strengthened to walk to the mountain of God, Horeb (1 Kings 19:4-8).

Psalm — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34).

Second Reading — Be sealed by the Holy Spirit of God so as to be imitators of God and live in love (Ephesians 4:30 — 5:2).

Gospel — Jesus professes that he is the living bread and whoever eats this bread will live forever (John 6:41-51).

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Daily Mass:
Monday – Saturday: 8:00 AM


Vigil Mass Times
 4:00 PM Vietnamese/English
 6:00 PM English

Sunday Mass Times
 8:00 AM English
 10:00 AM English
 12:00 PM Spanish/English
 5:00 PM English


Morning Prayer: Wed & Fri 7:30am to 7:50am
Adoration: Every Friday 6:00pm to 7:00pm
Saturday Confessions: 1:00pm to 3:00pm

Mass will be available online for the sick and homebound on Sundays at 10:00am and Monday-Saturday at 8:00am

For spiritual advisement, please contact the priest to schedule an appointment.



St. Thomas More Catholic Parish
 Knights of Columbus
 Msgr. Timothy J Doyle
 Council # 13111



**“MASS ON THE GRASS”
 Potluck Picnic**
Following the
Feast of the Assumption Mass

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a **Potluck Picnic Sunday, August 15th after the 5:00 pm Mass**

The Knights will be serving free hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks. Parishioners requested to bring side dishes or desserts to share. All are welcome.

Join us for good food and fellowship.

MASS INTENTIONS		
<i>Please call the front desk to request a Mass Intention</i>		
Monday 8/9	8:00am	Hai Tour Cho
Tuesday 8/10	8:00am	†Eugene O'Toole
Wednesday 8/11	8:00am	†Tom Dyer
Thursday 8/12	8:00am	†Maria Nu Hoang
Friday 8/13	8:00am	Priscilla Vu
Saturday 8/14	8:00am	†Lupe Maciel
	8:00am	†Christian Garay
	8:00am	†Maria Do Thi Tin
	8:00am	†Robert Feagans
	8:00am	†Courtney Del Villar
	8:00am	†Angela Urata
	8:00am	†Vivian Gluck
	8:00am	†Mary Baird
	8:00am	†Romeo Encarnacion
	8:00am	†Meynardo Encarnacion
Saturday 8/14	4:00pm	Rick and Laura Cabral
	6:00pm	†Ann & Frank Windfield
Sunday 8/15	8:00am	Brian Byfield
	10:00am	Pro Populo
	12:00pm	Fr Joe Justice
	5:00pm	†Courtney Del Villar

Dear Brothers and Sisters of St. Thomas More Parish,

Today's theme on the readings: CIVIL DISCOURSE

“Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God.” These words bring us up short! What could we be doing to grieve the Holy Spirit? Alas, the same things that the Ephesians were doing in the time of Paul, that is, fighting, shouting, reviling each other with fury, anger, and malice. Just tune in to talk radio some day or observe some “road rage” on the expressway. If we who are partakers of the Body of Christ can treat one another this way, what does that mean about our belief in Christ’s message of peace and reconciliation? The Eucharist is the sacrament of unity. It is communion with God and with each other. A good first step would be to speak civilly to each other, even in disagreement!

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Sincerely In Christ,
Father Eugene

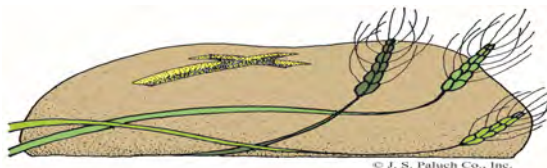
Collections and Expenses

7-19-2021 to 7-25-21

	Collection	E-Giving	Total
Sunday Collection	\$13,213	\$11,342	\$24,555
Believe & Grow	\$347	\$1,511	\$1,858
BGT– Phase 2	\$10,650	\$792	\$11,442
Building Fund	\$182	\$420	\$602
Other income	\$750	\$1,026	\$1,776

Regular Expenses \$1,707

We appreciate your continued financial support of the parish during these challenging times. If you would like to give, please click on the e-giving link in the top corner of the STM website to set up or update your e-giving. If you have questions, please call the office. All donations to the *Believe & Grow Together Campaign* will be used exclusively to pay for the construction costs to build the new Parish church. Moreover, Building Fund donations can be used to pay for the construction costs to build the new Parish church and for the maintenance and repairs of the existing Parish buildings and property. **Thank you for your generosity!**



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26
Wednesday: Dt 34:1-2; Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17; Mt 18:15-20
Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Ps 114:1-6; Mt 18:21 — 19:1
Friday: Jos 24:1-13; Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22, 24; Mt 19:3-12
Saturday: Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-8, 11; Mt 19:13-15
Sunday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28
 Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56



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Please call the office when it is time to remove a name.

LIFE TEEN

Now

Bible Studies

Want to grow deeper in the study of scripture? We meet on Mondays at 7pm in room 3 and study the following Sunday's Mass readings. Hope to see you there!

LIFE TEEN

Thu 7:00 PM

STM's Got Talent

Thank You to everyone who helped make our STM's Got Talent Summer event a memorable night! Please say a prayer for us as we begin to transition into our Fall Semester.

CONFIRMATION

WED 6:00 PM

Registration For Confirmation Is Now Open!

If you would like to register your teenager for the 2021-2022 Confirmation year, Please visit STMIRVINEYM.ORG to register.

R.E.P. CORNER



REP Registration News

We are so excited that REP is returning to in person classes this

Fall, and registration is **NOW OPEN!!**

Please visit: rep.stmirvine.org to

register your students in Grades K-8.

Please contact the REP Office with any questions.



Volunteers Needed for 2021/2022

We are recruiting teachers, substitute teachers and parent

volunteers for the upcoming school year.

For more info on sharing the love of our faith with the young people of our parish, please contact the REP office

at (949) 551-8029.



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The Library Corner

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time



The St Thomas More Parish Library staff would like to wish all our parishioners a Happy 19th Sunday in Ordinary time. The Parish Library will be closed today.

Check out this book: 'Mystery of the Kingdom', by Edward P. Sri. This is a refreshing study of the Gospel of Matthew that focuses on the 'Kingdom of God'. The author's accessible style and his provocative study questions make this book ideal for individual or group study. These studies explore the teaching and mission of Jesus Christ as revealed in the New Testament and carried on by His Church. You can join this popular Catholic professor for a faithful exploration of Jesus, and building of His kingdom.



Considering whether to join the Catholic Community?
Just want to know what it is about from an adult perspective?
Baptized Catholic but not yet Confirmed even though you are an adult?

The parish will offer a series of gatherings to explore our Catholic faith in an adult perspective.

These gatherings focus on the needs of the following groups of people:

- Those wishing to prepare themselves to make an adult choice whether to become a Catholic Christian via Baptism.
- Those who have been baptized as a Catholic or baptized as a member of another denomination and wish to prepare themselves for complete initiation into the Catholic Church through Confirmation and/or First Communion.
- Those Baptized and/or Confirmed as a child but not educated as an adult in Catholic Christianity.
- Those wishing to just find out more about Catholicism from an adult perspective, whether one is already a Catholic or not.

**Our first gathering will be on
Sunday, September 12th at 7:30 PM
In the Parish Hall**

The first meeting will be focused on organization determining our future meeting days and times.

For more information, please call **Mike Michalek at 949-551-2304.**

If you cannot make the organization meeting, please call or email Mike at michalekm@sprintmail.com to let him know when you are available to attend the sessions.



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James is one of the most practical books of the Bible. Its teachings speak loudly to those who feel torn between the competing demands of this world and their faith.

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St. Thomas More will begin a brand new Saturday Bible Study on **June 5th at 9:00 AM**

Participants will view a video during the week and meet via Zoom every Saturday for a lively group discussion and fellowship.

To register, contact **Deacon Tony at tpat7747@gmail.com**

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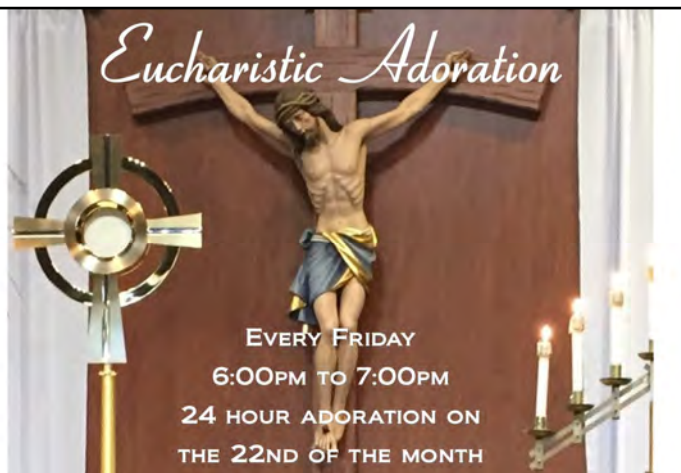
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Saturday & Sunday

7:00am to 6:00pm

Eucharistic Adoration



EVERY FRIDAY

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**24 HOUR ADORATION ON
THE 22ND OF THE MONTH**



I AM THE LIVING BREAD
THAT CAME DOWN FROM HEAVEN;
WHOEVER EATS THIS BREAD
WILL LIVE FOREVER.

JOHN 6:51

THE BREAD OF LIFE

Chapter 6 in John's Gospel is often referred to as the Bread of Life discourse, perhaps because this is where Jesus makes his strongest claims for being the bread that has come down from heaven, bringing eternal life for those who believe in him. This is one source of our belief in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. In the first reading, the prophet Elijah has come to the brink of despair, but an angel comes with food and tells him to eat, "else the journey will be too long for you." The Responsorial Psalm is from Psalm 34; from very early on, the Church has applied the line, "Taste and see how good the Lord is" to the Eucharist. The second reading describes an ideal Christian community characterized by mutual love and service, which is the greatest fruit of its eucharistic celebrations.

THE READINGS AT MASS DON'T ALWAYS SEEM TO FIT TOGETHER

On the greatest feasts and solemnities of the Church's liturgical year, the three readings are chosen to all apply to the theme or the event being celebrated. During Ordinary Time, however, only the Jewish scriptures/Old Testament selections are chosen to go with the Gospel. The second reading makes its way independently through the New Testament letters and often appears to have a very different message.

Today's readings, however, present us with that happy coincidence of a Sunday in Ordinary Time when all three readings are very much closely connected—a connection that we might describe as God's generosity in nurturing the people so that they can in turn "nourish" each other by their acts of service and charity.

BUT TODAY THEY DO

In John's Gospel, Jesus insists over and over that he is the bread of life; when he sees that some of his listeners find this hard to believe, he insists on it even more strongly. Note that centuries before the Christians celebrate Jesus as the Bread of Life in the Eucharist, the psalmist sings, "Taste and see how good the Lord is!"

John's Gospel contains no blessing of the Bread and Cup that the Church uses to consecrate the bread and wine. What John does have is Jesus washing the feet of the disciples and commanding them to wash each other's feet, which is to say, to serve each other without regard to station or rank. He also gives a long, prayerful discourse in which he gives the "new commandment" to love one another. Receiving Holy Communion is much more than a "me and Jesus" moment, although that is undoubtedly a precious encounter. Ultimately, our reception of the Bread of Life attains its fullness only in our mutual love and service in our communities and beyond.

God fed Elisha to strengthen him on his journey. God fed the Israelites with manna on their journey in the wilderness. Today, we receive from God the Bread of Life for strength in whatever journey we are on.

TODAY'S READINGS

1 Kings 19:4–8
Psalm 34:2–3, 4–5, 6–7, 8–9
Ephesians 4:30 — 5:2
John 6:41–51

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The Young Ladies Institute

School Supply Drive



the weekend of



August 21st and 22nd

It's time to shop for school supplies to benefit schools in need.

Monetary donations will also be accepted



FEAST OF FAITH Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus: Song of Heaven

The words of the Sanctus are rooted in the scriptures. They recall the song of

the seraphim in the prophet Isaiah's vision of God in majesty: "Seraphim were stationed above; each of them had six wings: with two they veiled their faces, with two they veiled their feet, and with two they hovered aloft. 'Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts!' they cried one to the other. 'All the earth is filled with his glory!' " (Isaiah 6:2-3). They recall the Gospel accounts of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem: "Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest" (Matthew 21:9). Yet the liturgy adds something new to these ancient texts. The seraphim sang, "the earth is filled with his glory." But the liturgy proclaims, "heaven and earth are full of your glory." In the Eucharist, earth and heaven meet. For a moment in time, we join in the song that the angels sing for all time. The Sanctus raises us to heaven, but does not remove us from the earth. It is the song of the King who took on our human flesh so that we might share in his divine life.

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Saturday Receptionist Needed

Would you like to work at the parish for a few hours each week? The parish office is in need of a Saturday receptionist. The Saturday office hours are 9:00am to 2:00pm. We are looking for someone who is reliable, has a positive attitude, and has a welcoming and compassionate nature. Duties would include, but are not limited to: answering phones and assisting parishioners with various requests.

If you would like to learn more, please contact Lisa Bergler, Office Manager. Lisa can be reached at 949-551-8601 or submit your resume by email at

Lbergler@stmirvine.org.



saint snippets August 11 "God will never refuse her anything she asks for us." -St. John Vianney speaking of St. Philomena St. Philomena 4th-century virgin and martyr to whom many miracles have been attributed; patron saint of infants and youth. Copyright © 2018, Michael Thimons

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross
Tuesday: St. Lawrence
Wednesday: St. Clare
Thursday: St. Jane Frances de Chantal
Friday: Ss. Pontian and Hippolytus
Saturday: St. Maximilian Kolbe



The Marriage Course from St. Vincent de Paul Church is for married couples seeking practical support to stay connected. The seven-part series starts on Sept. 7, and meets weekly on Zoom: Tuesday evenings from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. through Oct. 19.

THE MARRIAGE COURSE

FROM ALPHA

http://svdphb.org/the-marriage-course/ or call (714) 697-5659



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Eucharist to the Homebound	Dn. Stan & Fran Necikowski	(7) 505-4816
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Jerry Donaldson	(9) 552-5485
Lectors	Tara Reynaud	(7) 925-9992
Music Director, Including Wedding Music	Keith Rattay	(9) 551-8601
Ushers	Steve Luchetta	(9) 733-1192

Sacraments

Baptism Coordinator	Windy Lozano	(9) 551-8601
Confirmation	Abraham Villela	(9) 551-8602
First Communion	Barbara Catiller	(9) 551-8029
First Reconciliation	Barbara Catiller	(9) 551-8029
Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)	Michael Michalek	(9) 551-2304
Marriage Case Support	Michael Michalek	(9) 551-2304
	Mary Patronite	(9) 551-8601
Marriage Encounter	Jim & Cheryl Skudlarski	(9) 551-9156
Marriage In The Lord	Meredith & Keith Rattay	(9) 559-6464
Wedding Coordinator	Michelle Selig	(9) 551-8601

Service

Bereavement	Rosie Muñoz	(9) 551-8601
Children's Homeless Lunch Ministry	Kim Le	(9) 551-8601
Chinese Community	Deacon Leonard Sun	(7) 932-1689
Corazon	Norma Jean Womack	(9) 559-5639
Filipino Community	Charlie Torres	(9) 551-8601
Hispanic Ministry	Frank Ornelas (9) 857-9044	Patty Trujillo (7) 270-5073
Homeless Lunch Ministry	Margaret Cunningham	(7) 552-8711
Knights of Columbus Council #13111	Ed Francis	(858) 229-2490
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STM Veterans	Sgt. Bob Kohler	(9) 552-1895
St. Vincent de Paul	Bill Chacon	(9) 331-1020
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Young Ladies Institute	Mary O'Leary	(9) 305-6810

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Parish Office Manager	Lisa Bergler	(9) 551-8601
Welcoming Committee	Vince Salico	(7) 389-7726

Spiritual Development

Adult Faith Formation / Bible Study	Barbara Catiller	(9) 551-8029
Life Teen – High School & Young Adults	Abraham Villela	(9) 551-8602
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Christ Renews His Parish	Tony Patronite	(9) 307-6215
Cursillo and When Women Pray	Susan Navarrete	(9) 551-8601
Legion of Mary	Linda Hughes	(9) 559-1124
Library	Sam & Diana Adams	(7) 321-2405
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